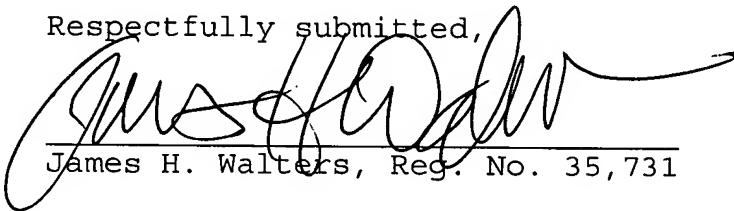


REMARKS

Reconsideration is respectfully requested. The non-allowable claims are canceled herein, to further the prosecution. The remaining claims were indicated to be allowable, and therefore, the applicant respectfully submits that the present application is patentable in view of the cited prior art. Thus, favorable reconsideration is courteously solicited.

The Examiner is asked to contact applicant's attorney at 503-224-0115 if there are any questions.

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